MALCOLM X SHABAZZ HIGH SCHOOL

OPTIMIST

Class of
2022

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80 JOHNSON AVE NEWARK, NJ 07108

CLASS OF 2021-22 PRESENT

OPTIMIST

op·ti·mist

/ˈäptəməst/

noun

1. a person who tends to be hopeful and confident about the future or the success of something.
2. "only an eternal optimist could expect success"

MESSAGE

ATIBA BUCKMAN
PRINCIPAL

With pride and some relief, I am looking forward to presiding over my first Graduation Ceremony at Malcolm X Shabazz High School in Newark's South Ward. Malcolm X Shabazz High School, like many schools across the nation, opened its doors in September and welcomed students back to Traditional Instruction from what many termed the "New Normal." However, in July, it was clear to all Malcolm X Shabazz High School stakeholders that things were anything but "normal," given that students and educators spent two school years in Virtual Instruction while navigating the isolating and socially crippling reality of a Global Pandemic. The level of anxiety was palpable in every planning meeting between myself, my Administrative Staff, and Educators. They all recognized that they had inherited the herculean task of aggressively addressing Learning Loss, reacquainting a unique group of students with what it means to be studious, and placing emphasis on the Social and Emotional Learning needs of each student. It is in one of those early meetings that my Administrative Staff and I committed to take a moment, in May, to reflect on everything our Bulldog community accomplished throughout the school year and make that information available, as a School Year in Review, to every student, teacher, and donor so that they can bear witness to a turning point in Malcolm X Shabazz High's narrative. And now, with NJSLA Testing successfully behind them, it is evident that the Bulldog community has much to celebrate.

"Looking back on this year the thing that makes me the most proud is the momentum we have gained. All pistons are firing and we are moving in the direction that makes me the most proud to say that I am the Principal of Malcolm X Shabazz H.S. and if you thought we did a lot this year, wait until you read, see and experience MXS 2.0."

PRINCIPAL BUCKMAN

FACULTY

"Where you're coming from is not nearly as important as where you're going"

"Home is not just the place where you were born. It's the place where you become someone"

OMAR MUHAMMED
VICE PRINCIPAL

"Never let it rest, keep working hard and always give your best."

ERIC SYLVESTRE
VICE PRINCIPAL

OMAR MUHAMMED
VICE PRINCIPAL

ERIC SILVESTRE
VICE PRINCIPAL

CYNTHIA RAE
DC OF MATHEMATICS

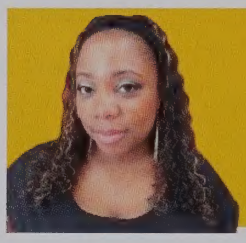
JACKLY NAZAIRE
DC OF SCIENCE

JAMILAH LAWSON
DC OF ENGLISH

NOEL COLON
DIRECTOR OF ATHLETICS

TAMIKA BROWN-WESLEY
DC OF SPECIAL EDUCATION

THE STAFF



KINSHEMA HUGHES
Clerk

NATASHA ROC
Clerk

G.M. HOUSTON
Parent Liaison

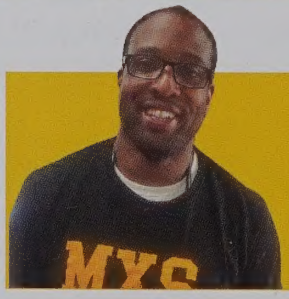
NASSIR BARRINO
Attendance Councelor

DRISS LADJ
Math (12th Grade)

LEONARD MORETTI
Science

NICHOLAS FERRIERO
Physics (10th Grade)

BRIAN BLACKBURN
Music



FERDINAND EDMUND
English

JESSIE PIERRE
Behaviorist

DR. COMFORT NDUKWE
Art

CYRUS HARBIN
World History 9th/11th

THE STAFF

JASON HERNOULD
English

BERNARD ROLLINS
Engineering

TIM O'CONNOR
Health & Phys.

JOE COOK
Math (10th & 12th)

JANELLE INGS
Dance

DUJUAN HIGH
Social Studies (9th)

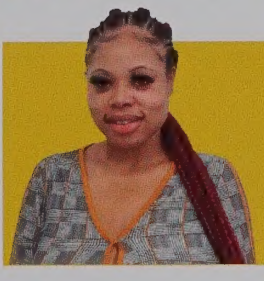
DR. AMANDA ONWUKA
Math (9th & 11th)

STEPHEN DOMINICCI-FIFOOT
Athletic Trainer

MR. DUFRESNE
Biology

CHARLENE POWELL
Cosmetology I & II

JUSTIN GASSMAN
Mathematics



AZHANE WILLIAMSON
Science

THE STAFF

RAFEEZA SHAHABUDEEN
ELA (9th and 10th)

RASHEED SHEFFIELD
Recreation Leader

RICHARD MULDROW
Social Studies

LESLIE ROC
Tech Coordinator

SHELA LOUIS
ELA

REINALDO FELIX
Art (Animation)

GIOVANNA VASSALLO
Spanish

STEVEN CULLARS
Head Guard

THERESA MULDROW
ELA (11th & 12)

DR. PAULA WILSON
Psycologist

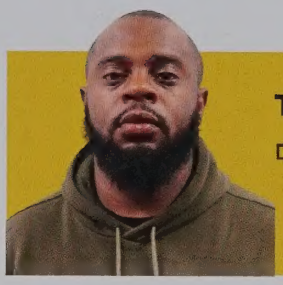
BELINDA JACKSON
Child Study Team

ROY MURIEL
Health/Phys.

TONIESHA HILL
School Counselor

THE STAFF

NICHOLAS SANGIOVANNI
Health/Phys.



TYRONE TURNER
Dean of Discipline

BELINDA SEVERE
Algebra 1

JACQUELINE JONES
English

JUSTIN KAUFMANN
Health & Phys.

OMAR VAUGHN
School Counselor

JEANEVA TURMAN
School Nurse

Not Pictured

TANYA BARBEE
10th Grade Counselor

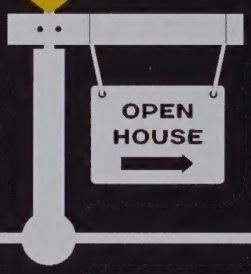
ELISE CARMICHAEL
Social Worker

LISA MCMURRAY
11th Grade Counselor

2021-22
YEAR IN REVIEW

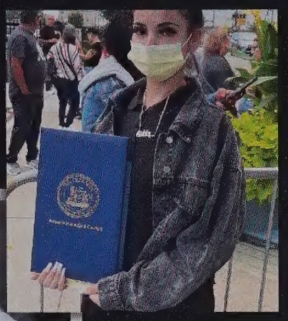
2021-22
YEAR IN REVIEW

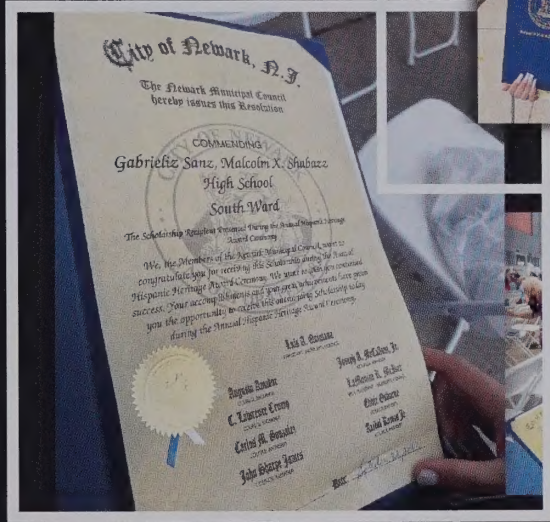
Summer
BRIDGE

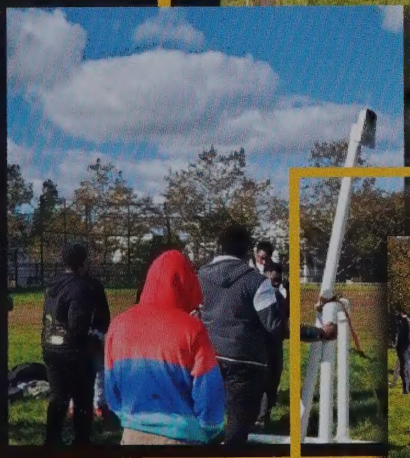

OPEN
HOUSE

STUDENT
GOVERNMENT
12th Grade Class
President
Chelsea
Mensah
12th Grade Class
Vice President
Shamira
Canty-Eagan
11th Grade Class
President
Keyona Bailey
11th Grade Class
Vice President
Thailee
Parker
Treasurer
Ifeoluwa
Adeyemi
Tariq Ellis
Secretary
Kezia
Oshuporu

PRINCIPAL'S
BREAKFAST







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MAYOR RAS BARAKA VISITS MXS!!

Class of
2022
V.I.B.E.
VESTED IN BEING EXCEPTIONAL
M
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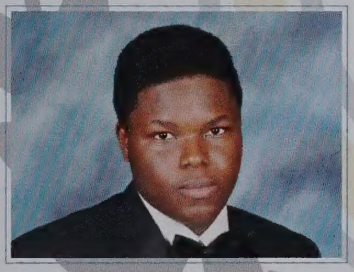
TOP 10

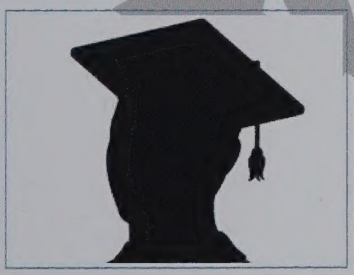
Kezia Oshuporu

Roheema Adebiyi

Ifeoluwa Adeyemi



Oluwaseun Kuti



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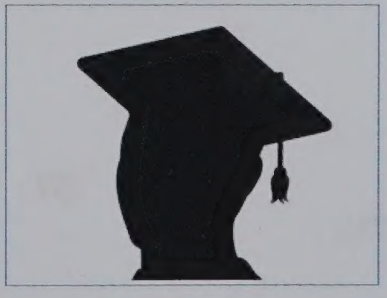
Gabrielaliz Sanz

Mohamed Cisse

Maud Tsekpo

Emmanuel Antecleus



Munajj Scott

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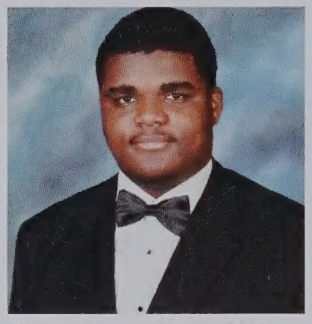
Roheema Adebiyi

Ifeoluwa Adeyemi

Mary-Fatima Alfred

Ariana Allen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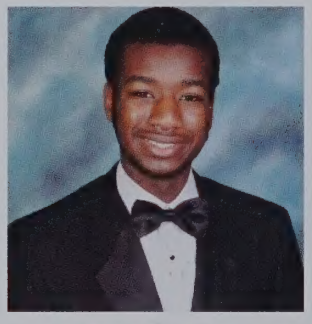
Malcolm Artis

Dyshana Ayala

Nailah Bryant

Tynijah Bussell

Shamira Canty-Eagan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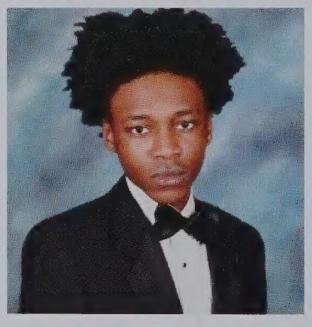
Paris Coleman

Ronisha Daniels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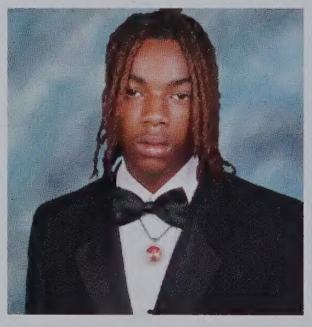
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Novia Dayes

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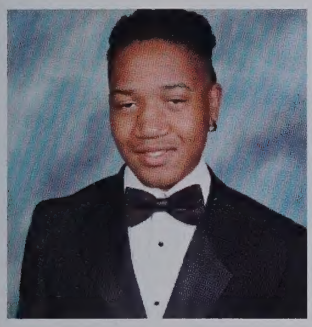
Tamia Harrington

Stephanie Hernandez

Nadasha Hunter



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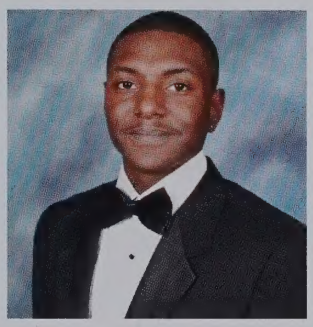
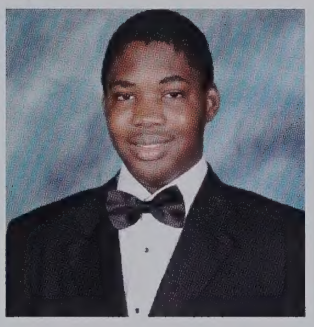


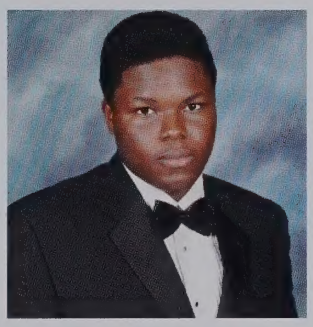
Damir Ingram



Abubakar Kabir

Samyah Kinchen

Shakira Kiser



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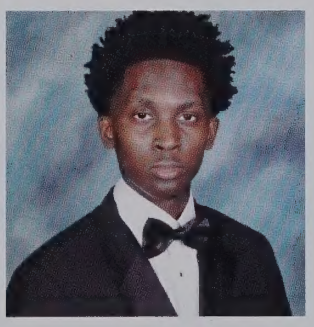
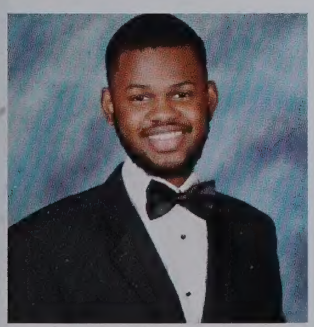
Chelsea Mensah

Faruk Mudasiru



Jamaal Ndiaye

Kezia Oshuporu



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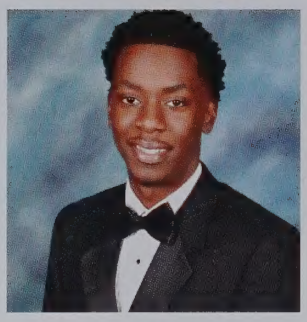
Tanajiah Prince

Gabrielaliz Sanz

Sean Scales

Quadirah Scott

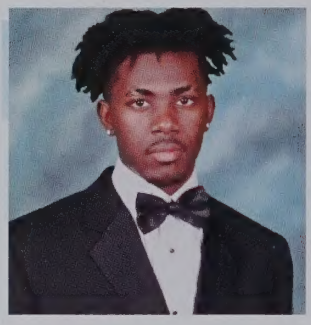


Al-Shatir Shells

Javon Terry

Khoury Tripp

Maud Tsekpo



Samir White

Yasheem Whitlock

Jarius Young

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Marvin Aryee
Jahem Barnaby
Aniyah Campbell-Wilkerson
Alexander Casilla
Wendemi Congombo
Michecoe Cole
Eli-Jah Eley
Dakeyis Hamlet
Razon Hamlet
Zion Harris
JaQuan Hixon
Alaisha Holland
Ciera Hopkins
Al-Quanim Horne
Jayden Ingram
Kyler Jones-Bennett
Kyreek Josey-Waters
Asim Key
Ilori Ligons
Ameesha Lively
Elijah Mckie
Matthew Osakpamwn
Kivante Ramey
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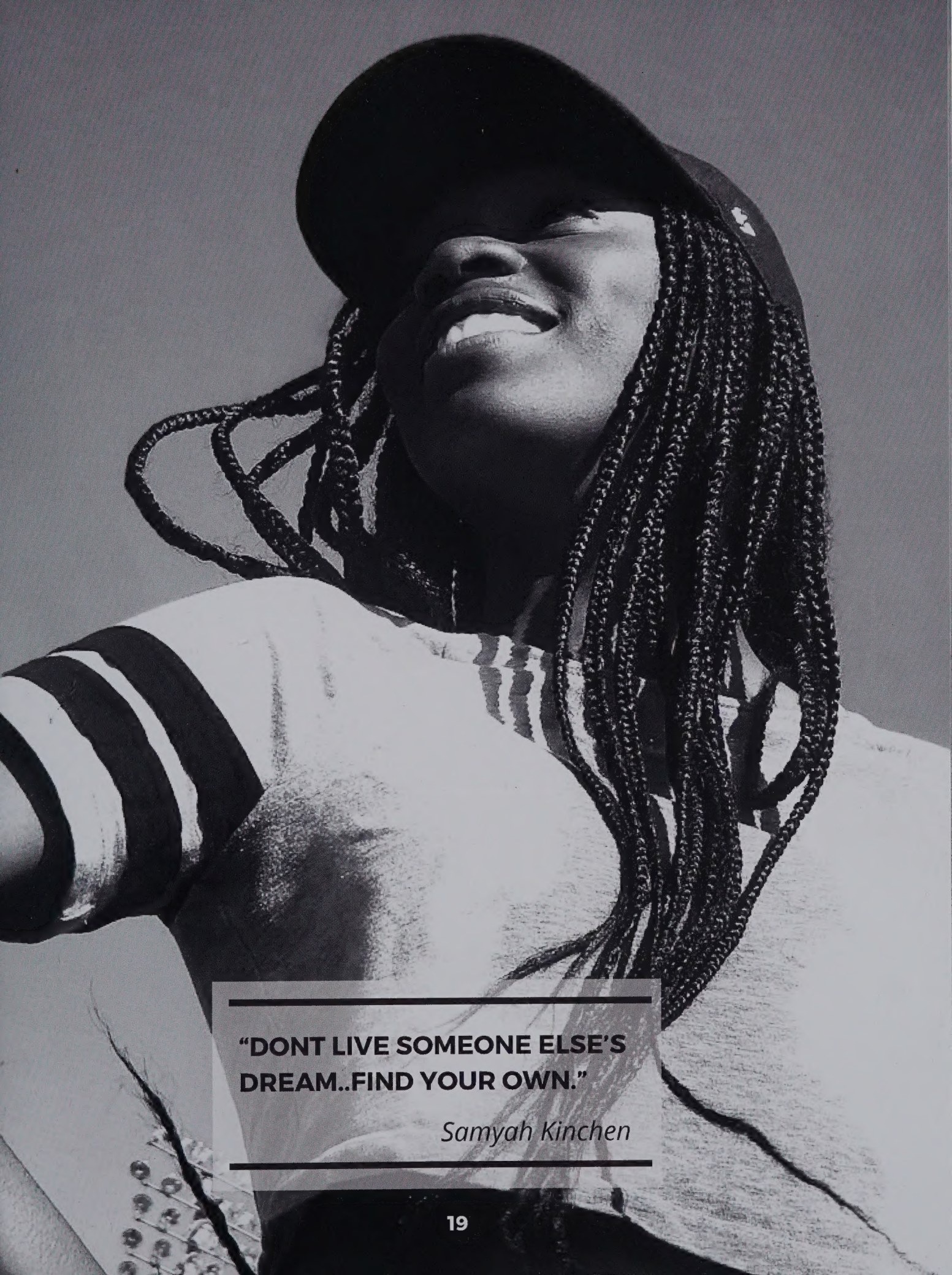


"DONT LIVE SOMEONE ELSE'S DREAM..FIND YOUR OWN."

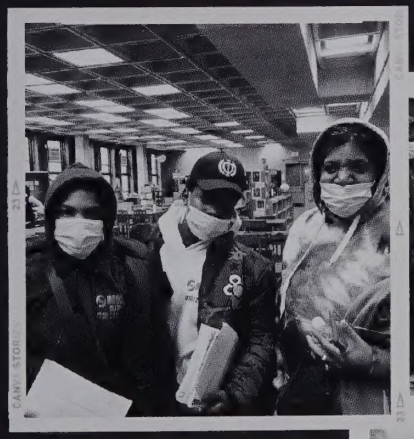
Samyah Kinchen

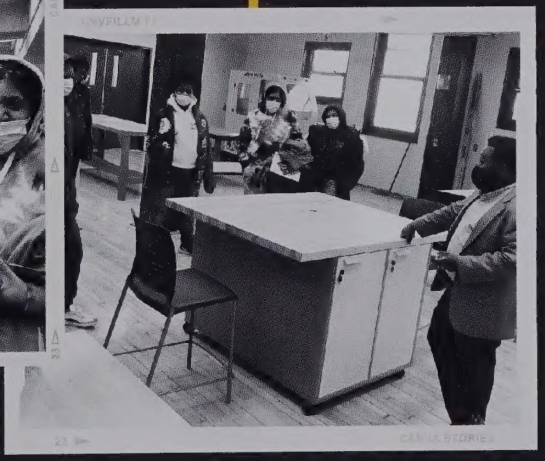
MXS Marching Band Performs at Voters Rally in Weequahic Park; Barack Obama attends!

ALUMNI DAY

Soul BOWL

School Spirit WEEK





OPEN HOUSE: SNEEK PEEK

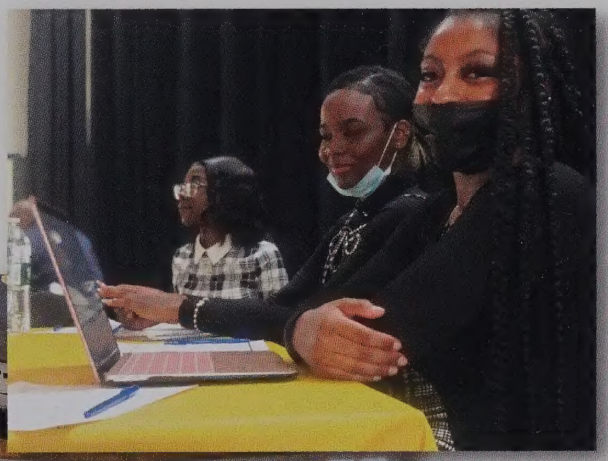
Kezia Oshuporu
TREASURER
Chelsea Mensah
PRESIDENT
Shamira Canty-Eagan
VICE PRESIDENT
Ifeoluwa Adeyemi
SECRETARY

STUDENT GOVERNMENT

EAGER TO LEAVE THEIR MARK

"I'm for truth, no matter who tells it. I'm for justice, no matter who it is for or against. I'm a human being first and foremost, and as such I'm for whoever and whatever benefits humanity as a whole."

Malcolm X Shabazz



"It's the little conversations that build the relationships and make an impact on each student." **Robert John Meehan**

Ms. Leslie Roc

SENIOR CLASS ADVISOR

THE CLUBS

EAGER TO MAKE THEIR MARK

Multicultural Club

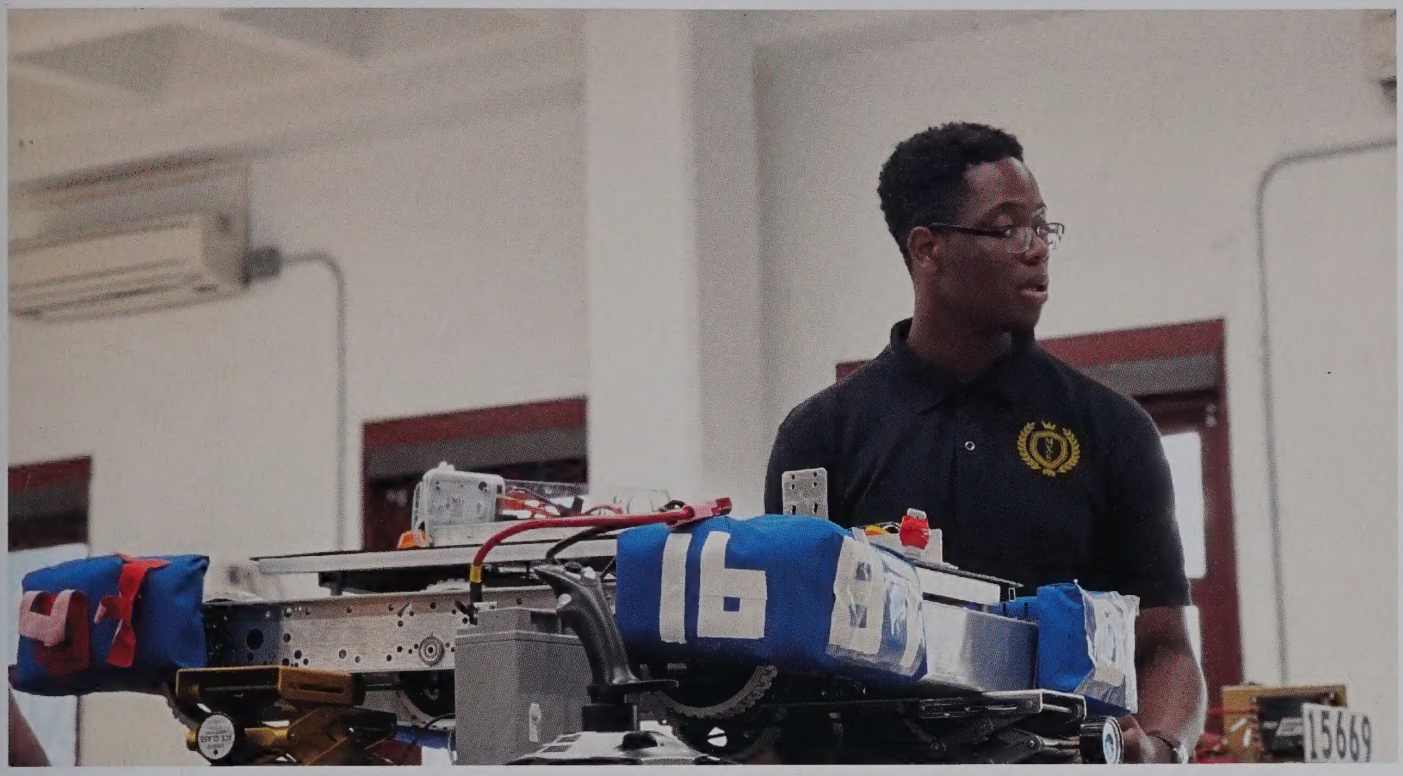
COSMETOLOGY

BOOK CLUB

MULTICULTURAL

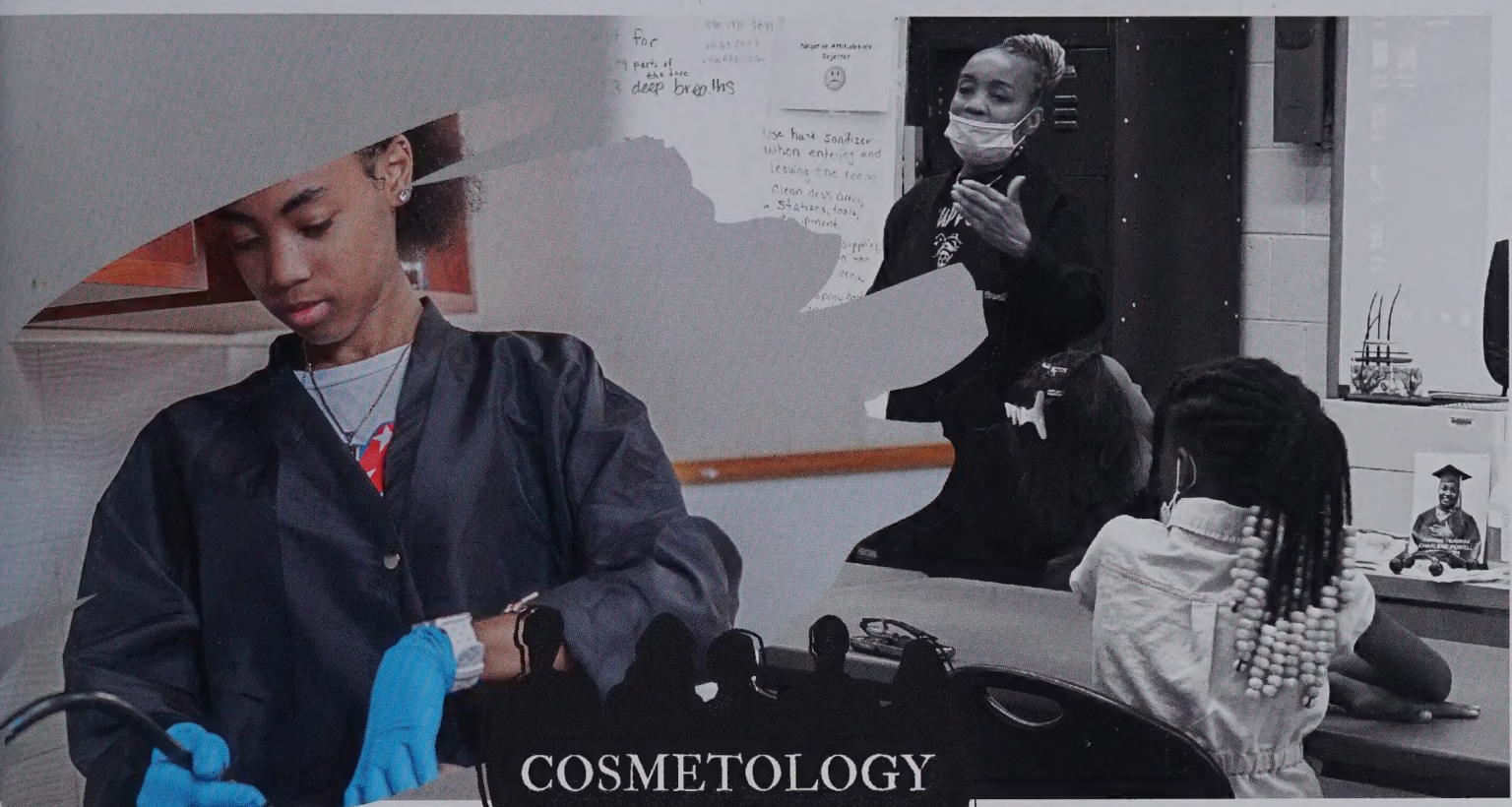
GAMING

ROBOTICS



ROBOTICS

GAMING
CLUB



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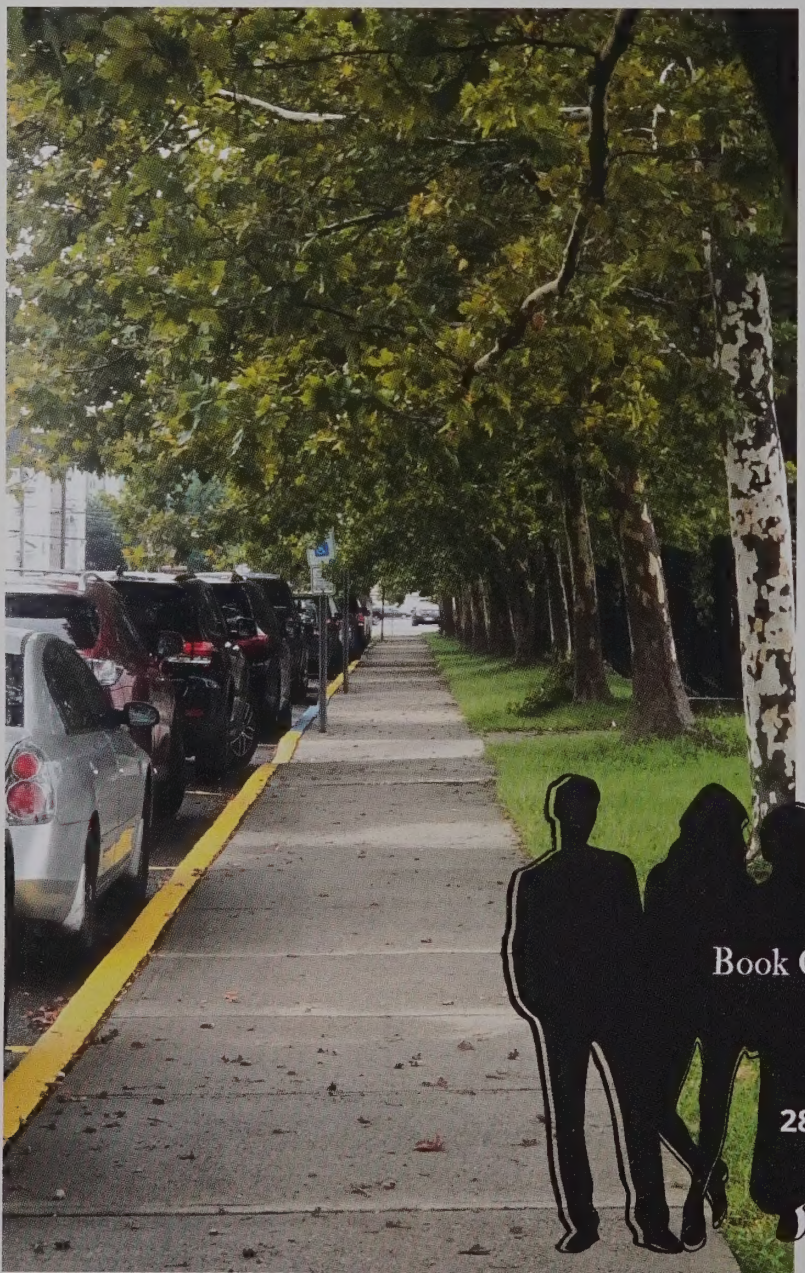

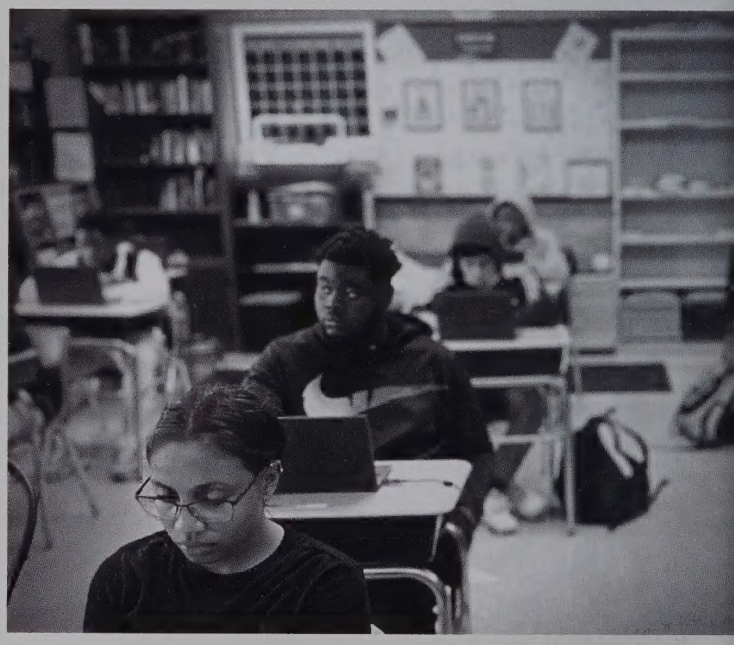

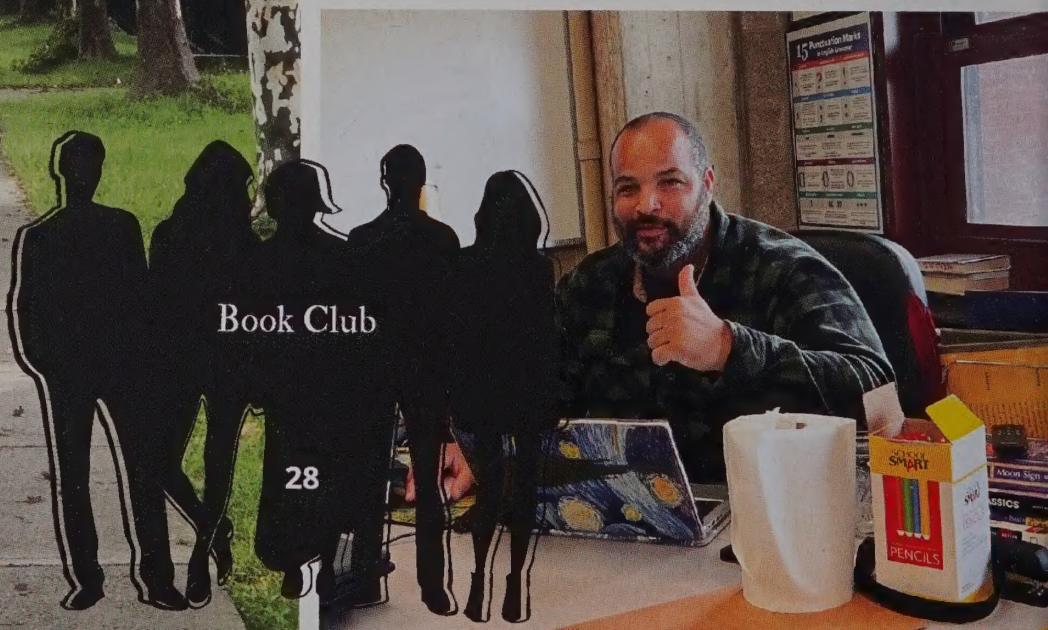

Book Club

MALCOLM X
SHABAZZ
STADIUM

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S
INTERNATIONAL
WOMENS DAY
BLACK
HISTORY
MONTH
1867
HOWARD
UNIVERSITY
π
DAY
CULTURAL
EXPRESSION
SHOW
VOTE
ROCK THE
VOTE TRIP

STAFF vs. STUDENT
BASKETBALL GAME

Staff/Student
BAR-B-QUE

Juneteenth
Celebration

Senior Prom

Six Flags

MXS visit NJIT
Makerspace

SENIOR
GRADUATION

ATHLETICS

PRIDE
SPORTS AWARDS
SHABAZZ HIGH SCHOOL
MXS
COACH PRINCE
COACH TAYLOR
BULLDOGS
Malcolm X Shabazz
Zimel Robinson

CONGRATS
SEC
DIVISION CHAMPION
DIVISION
CHAMPION

MXS SOFTBALL

Lady Bulldogs

BOYS BASKETBALL

SENIOR NIGHT

GIRLS BASKETBALL

MXS
FOOTBALL
SHABAZZ
12
SHABAZZ
9
BULLDOGS

Riddell
BULLDOGS
55
9
#9

Lady Bulldogs FLAG FOOTBALL

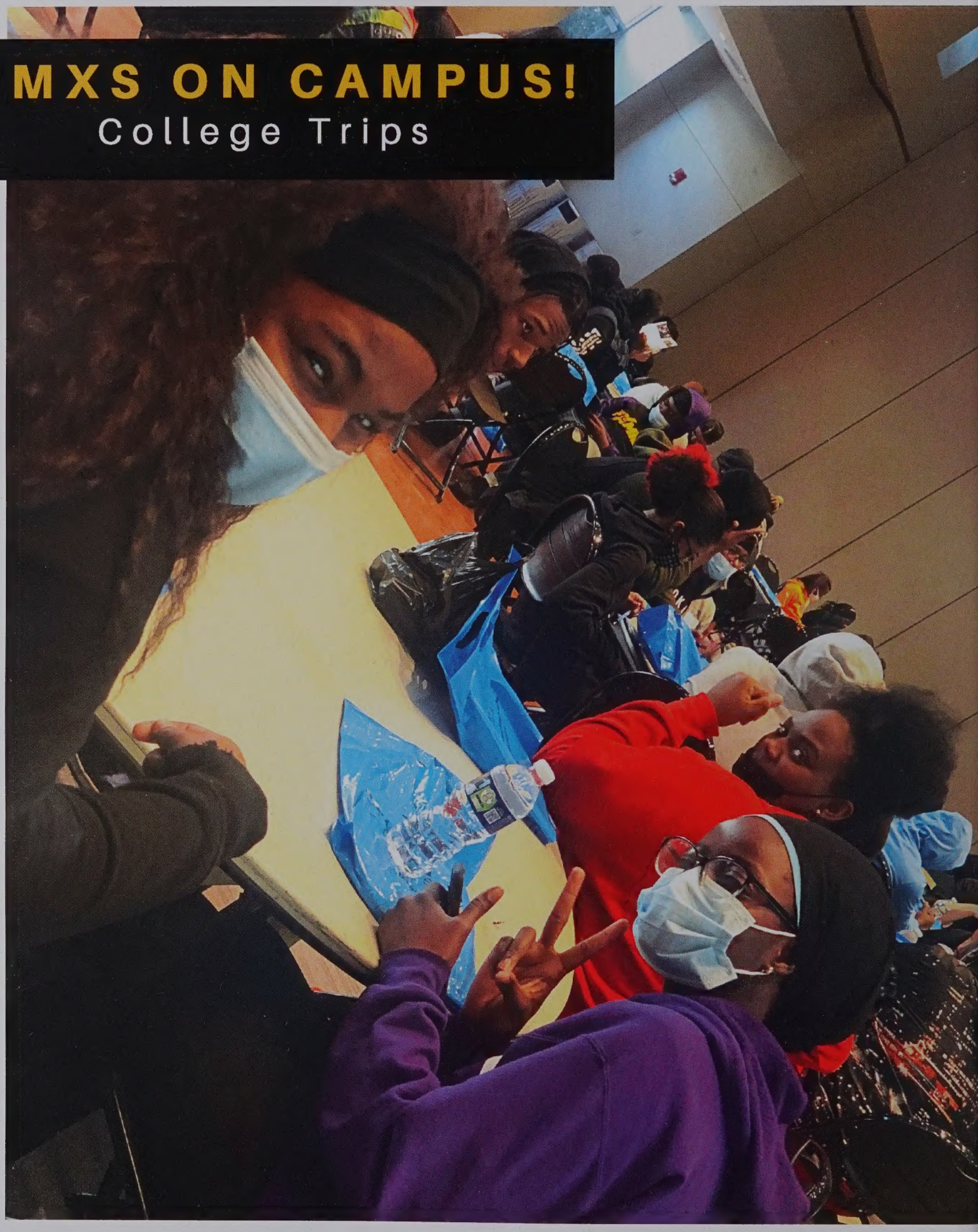
PRIDE

LADY BULLDOGS WIN SOUL BOWL

Quinnen Williams, of the New York Jets, presenting the Malcolm X Shabazz Lady Bulldogs with the Womens Soul Bowl Flag Football Game Trophy.

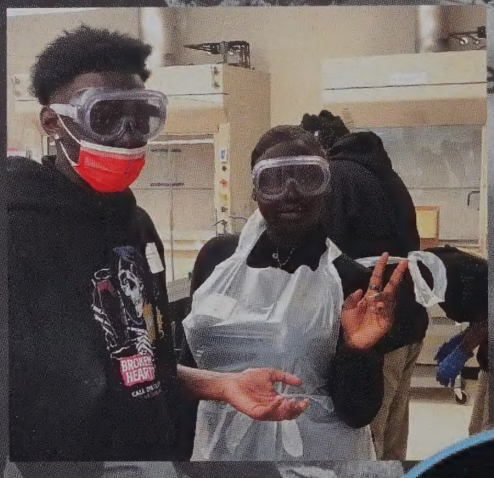
MXS ON CAMPUS!

College Trips



"YOUR MENTALITY IS YOUR REALITY"

Gabrielaliz Sanz



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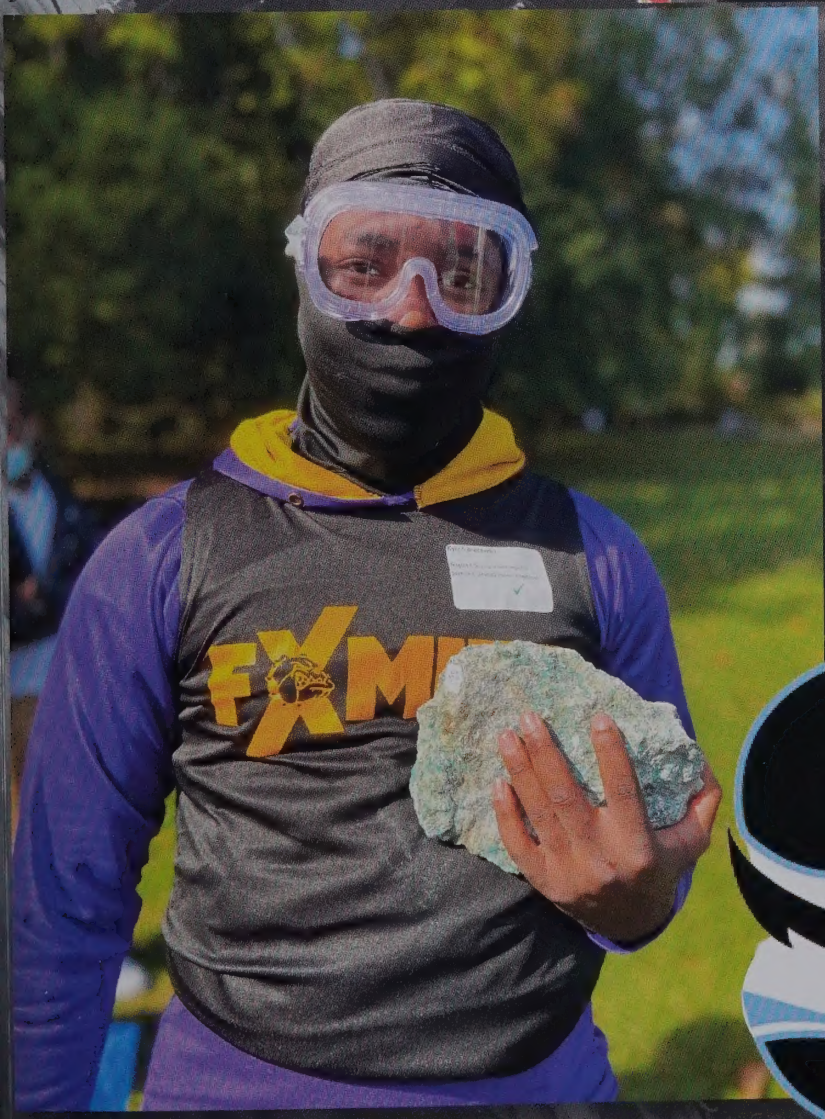

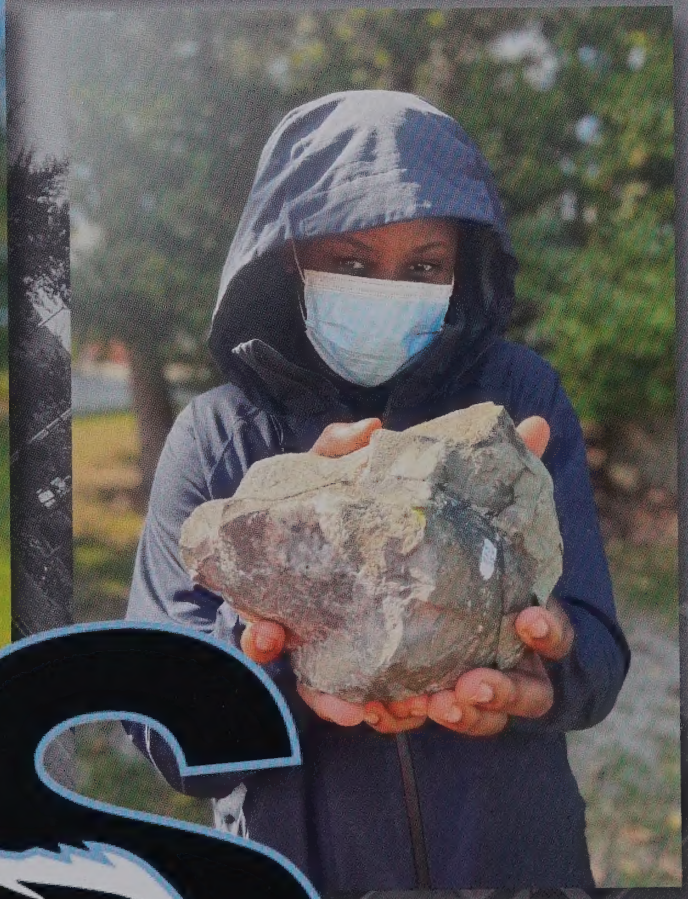

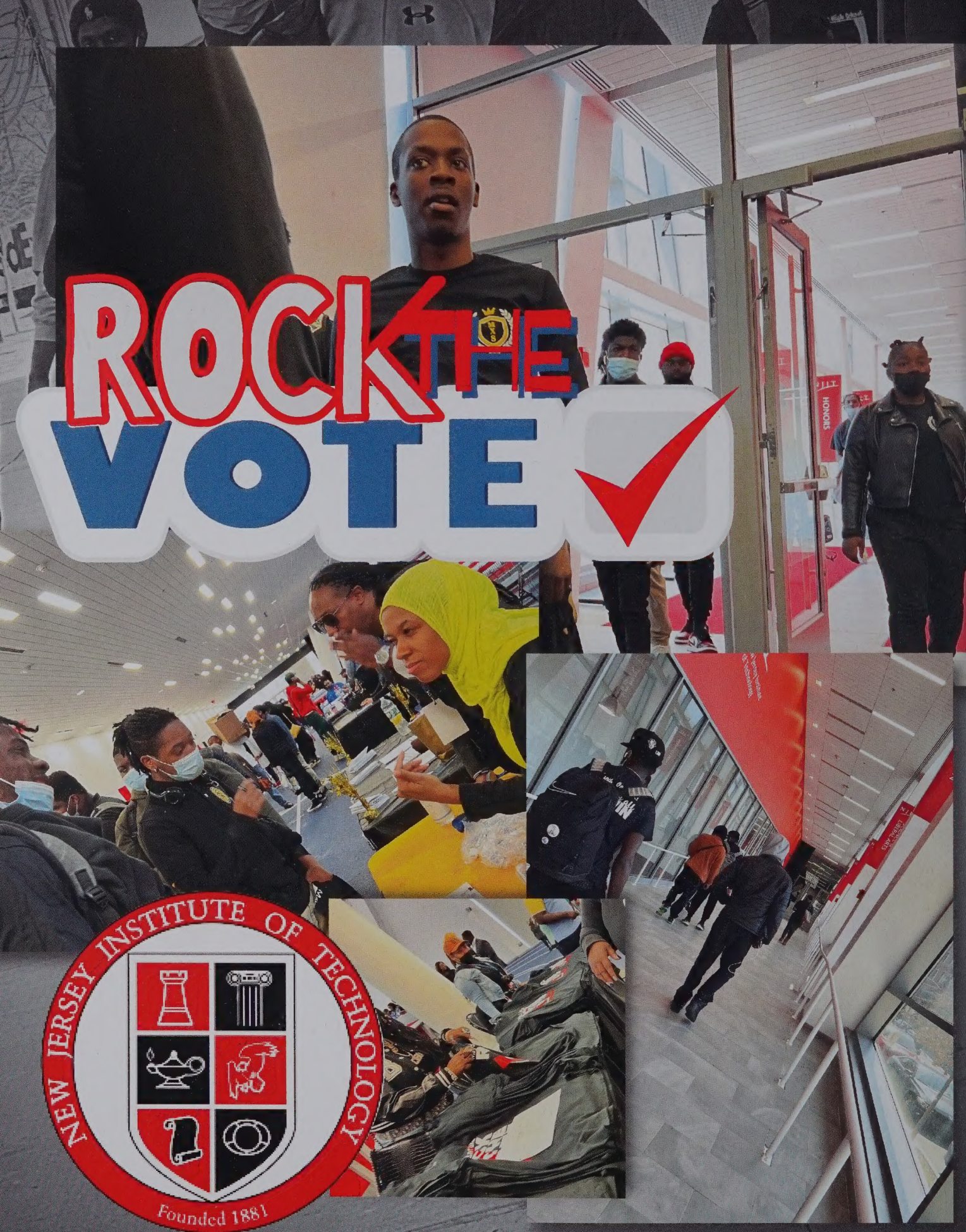
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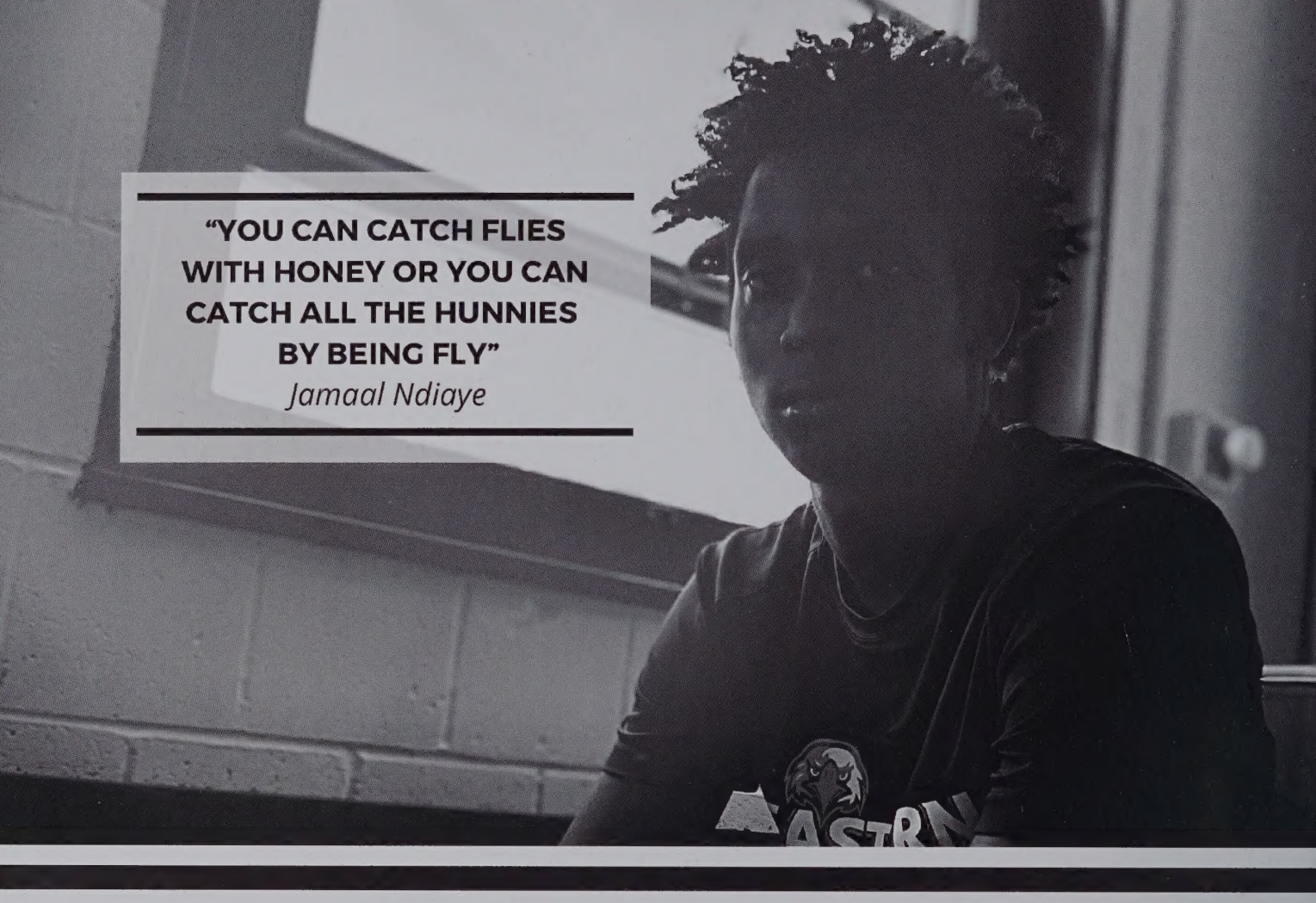

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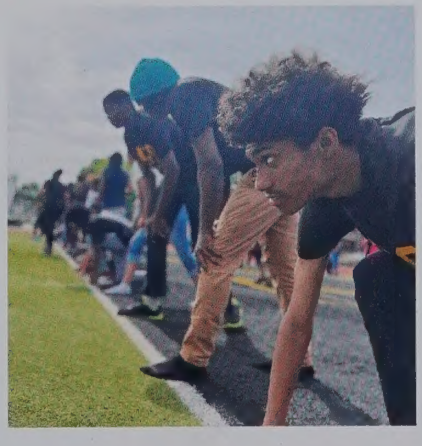

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" SUCCESSIS NOT MEASURED BY WHO YOU ARE... BUT WHO YOU BECOME."

Elijah Eley

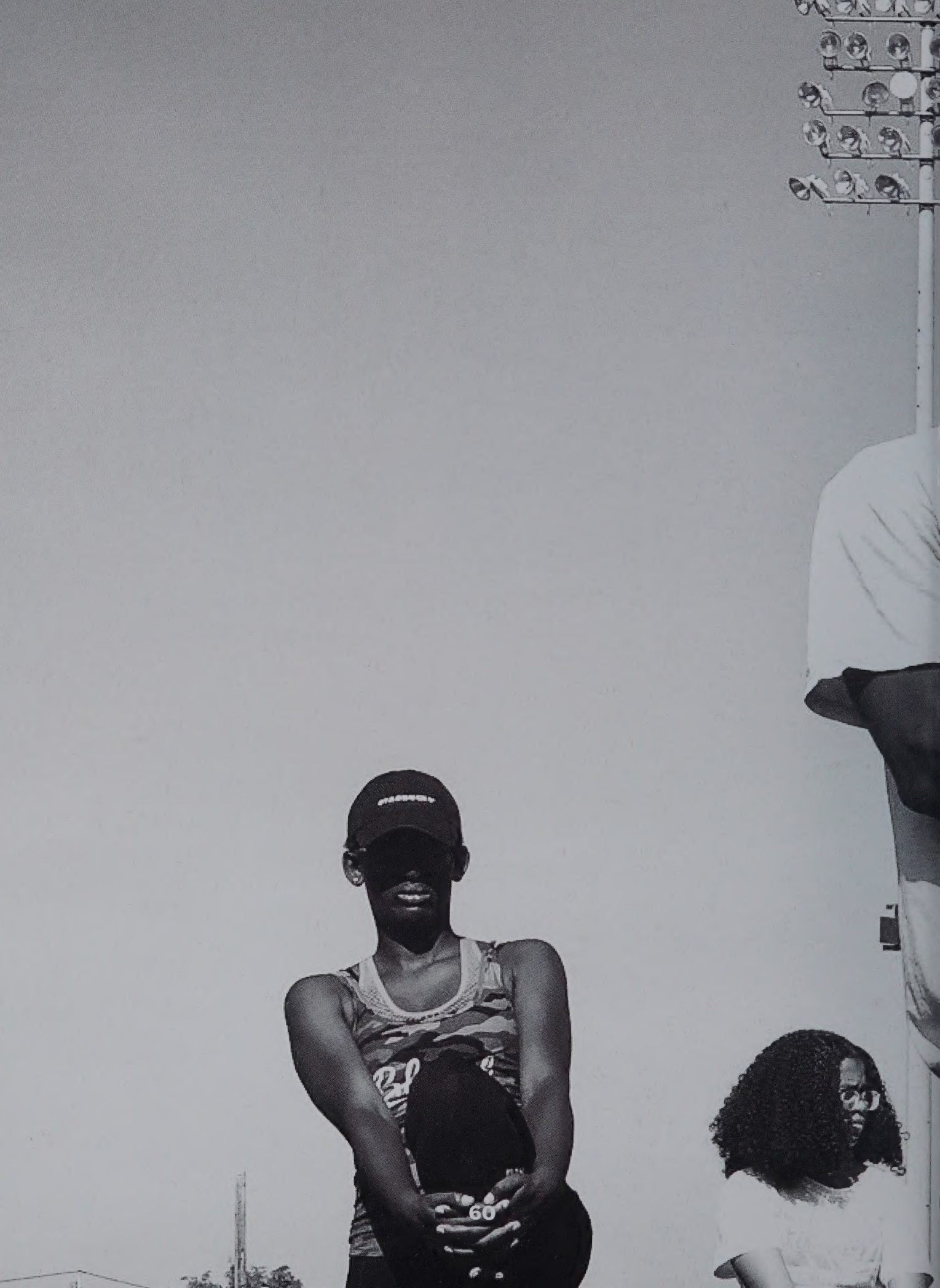
"DONT LET YOUR EMOTIONS DETERMINE THE OUTCOME"

El-Shaddai Hilton

"IF YOU FOLLOW YOUR DREAMS, YOU ARE CAPABLE OF ANYTHING."
Quadirah Scott

"THEY DONT KNOW THE STORY SO WHY SHOULD I FEEL ASHAMED"

Saniyah Lawrence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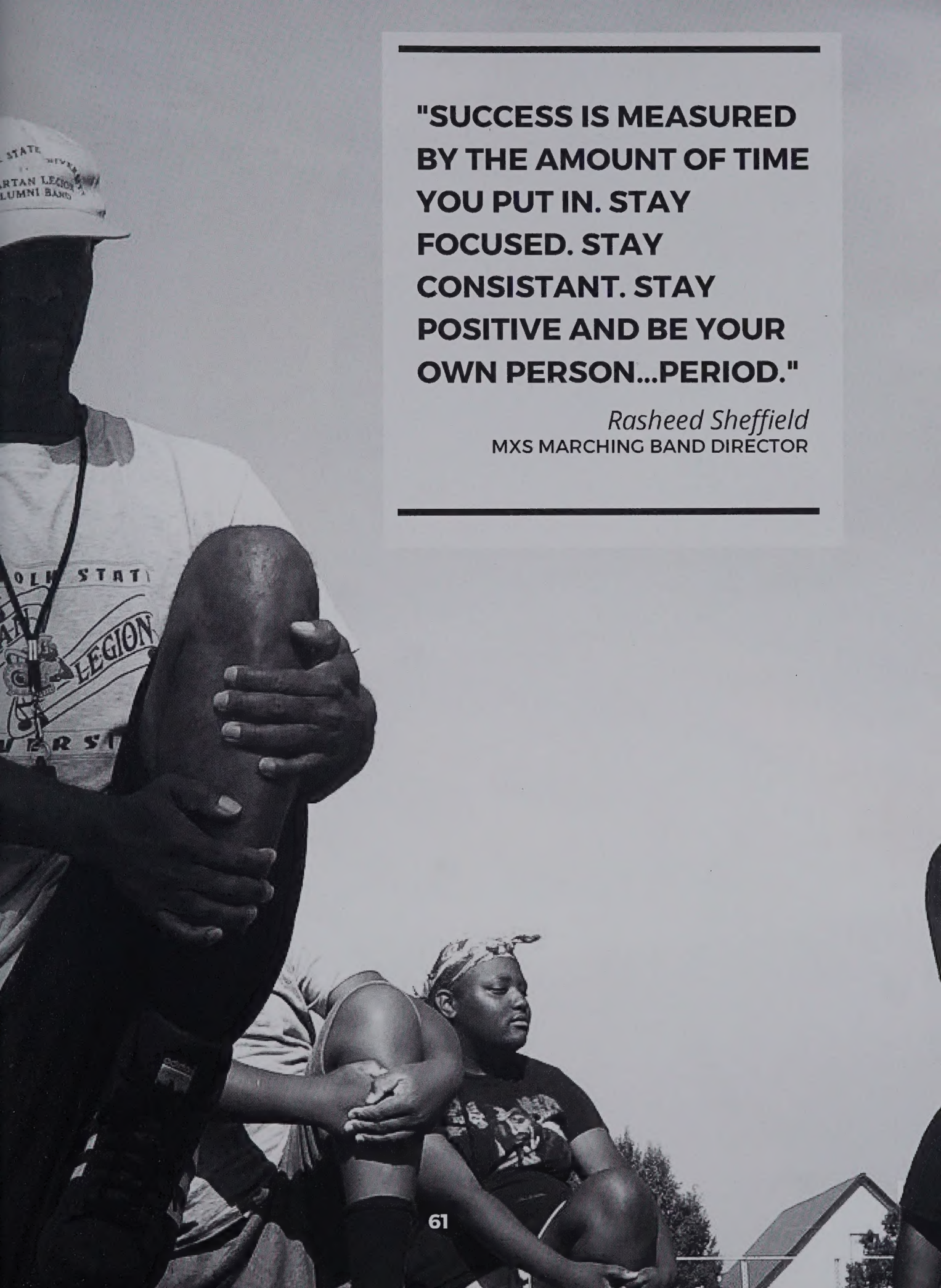

"SUCCESS IS MEASURED BY THE AMOUNT OF TIME YOU PUT IN. STAY FOCUSED. STAY CONSISTANT. STAY POSITIVE AND BE YOUR OWN PERSON...PERIOD."

Rasheed Sheffield
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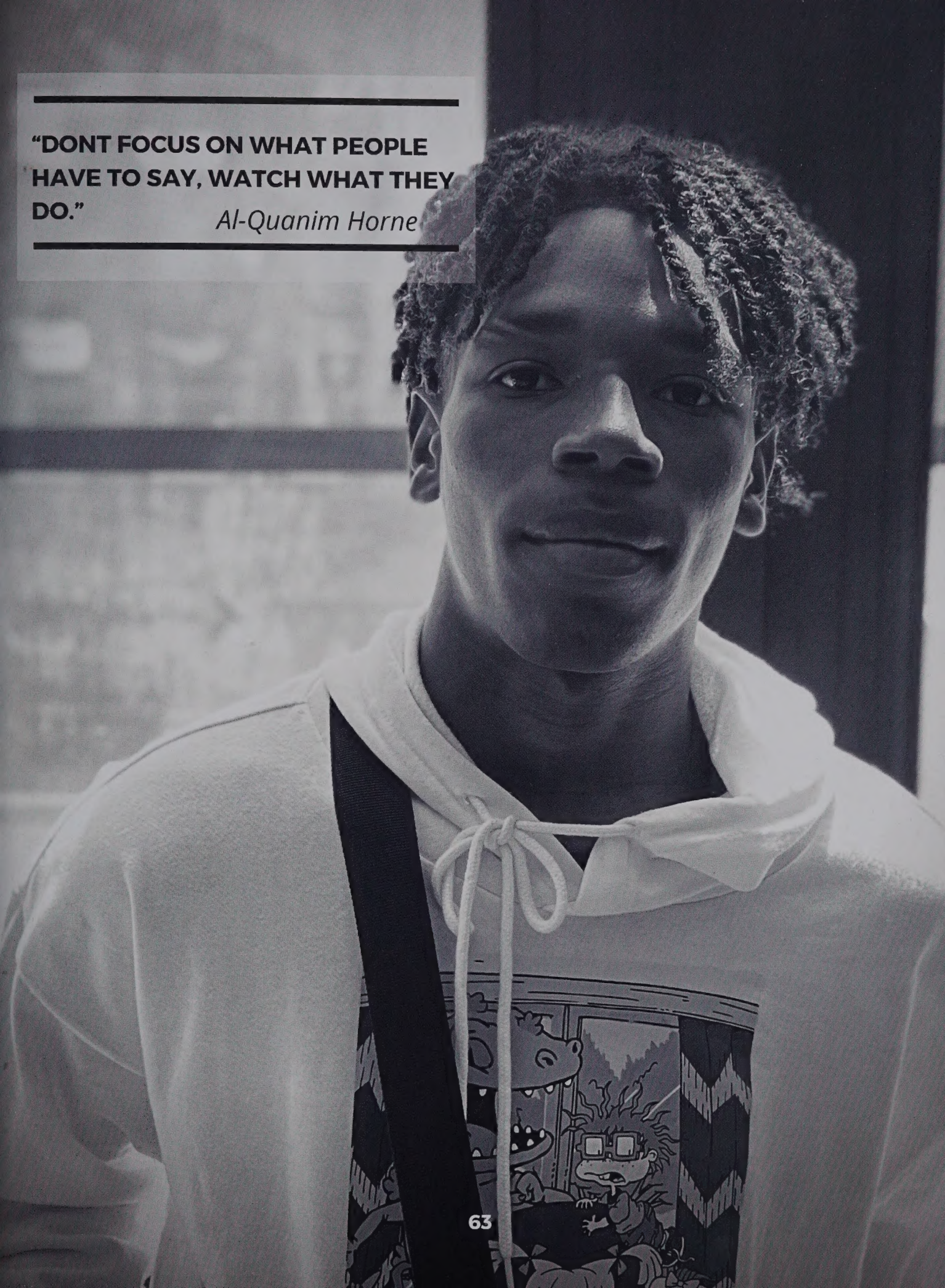
"TAKE ME AS I AM OR WATCH ME AS I GO"

Zion Harris


"DONT FOCUS ON WHAT PEOPLE HAVE TO SAY, WATCH WHAT THEY DO."
Al-Quanim Horne

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"TO LIVE WITHOUT FEAR IS THE TRUE MEANING A FREEDOM."

Eileen Garcia

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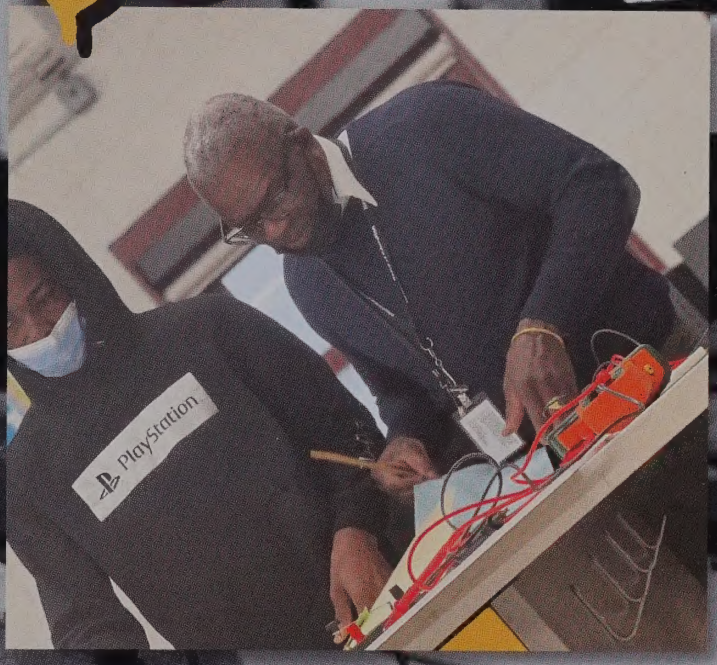

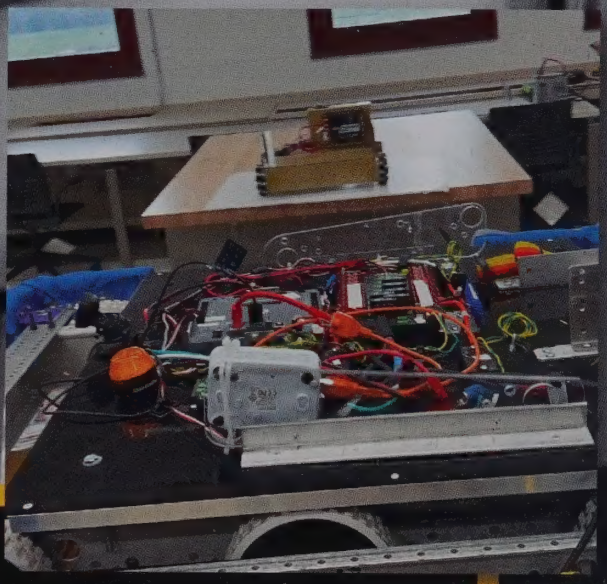

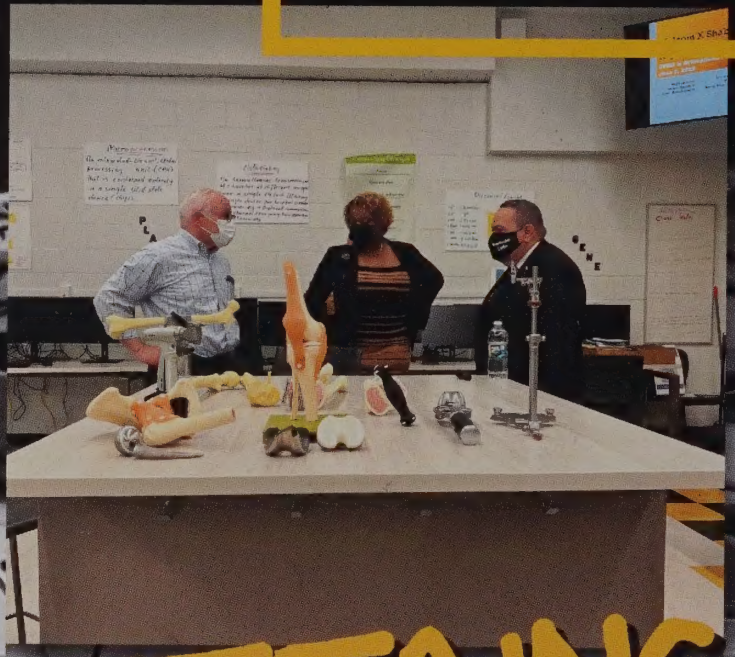

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Roheemah Adebiyi

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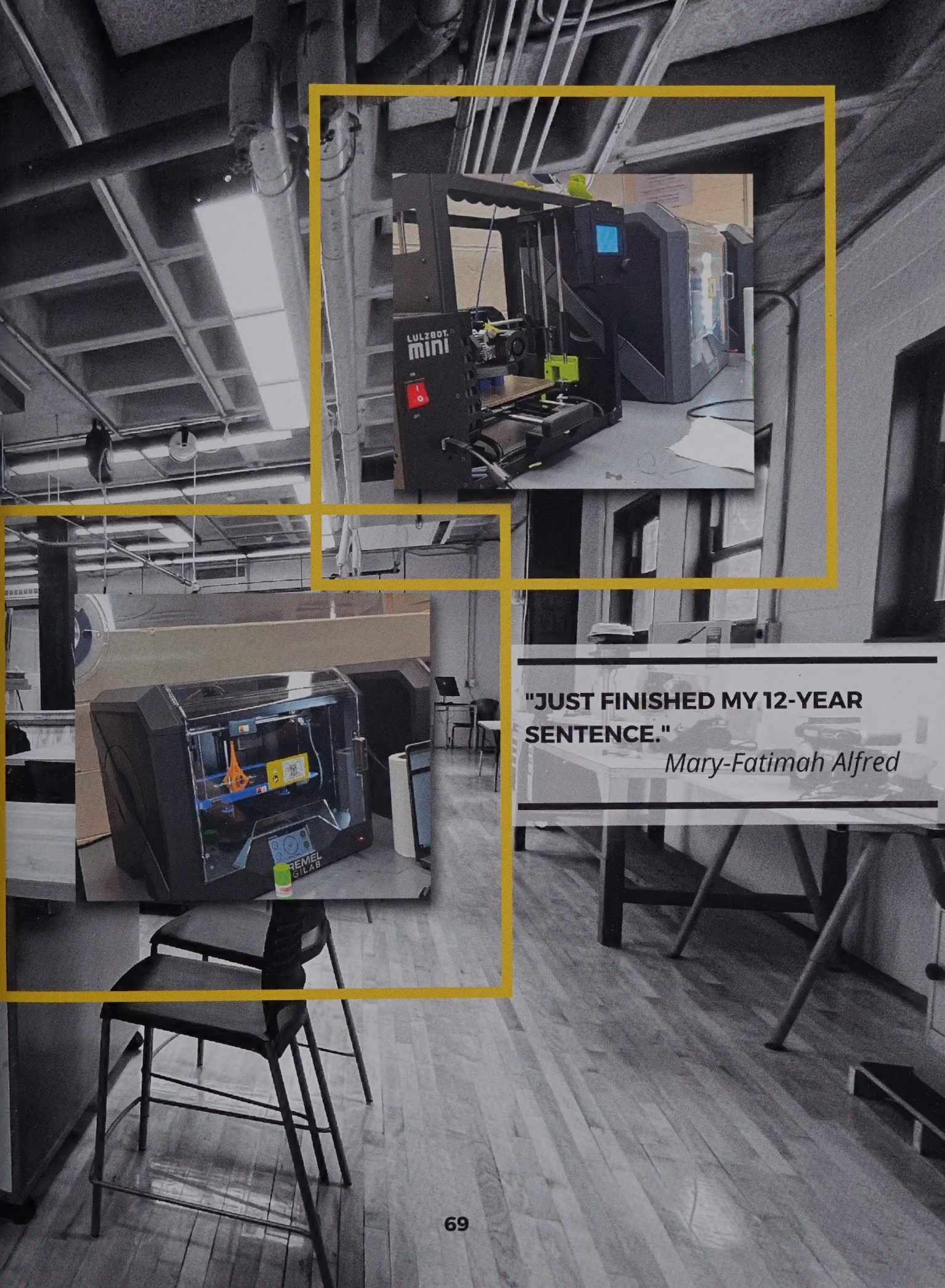
"DONT THINK ABOUT IT JUST DOIT.. JUST LIKE NIKE."

Naiylah Bryant



"JUST FINISHED MY 12-YEAR SENTENCE."

Mary-Fatimah Alfred

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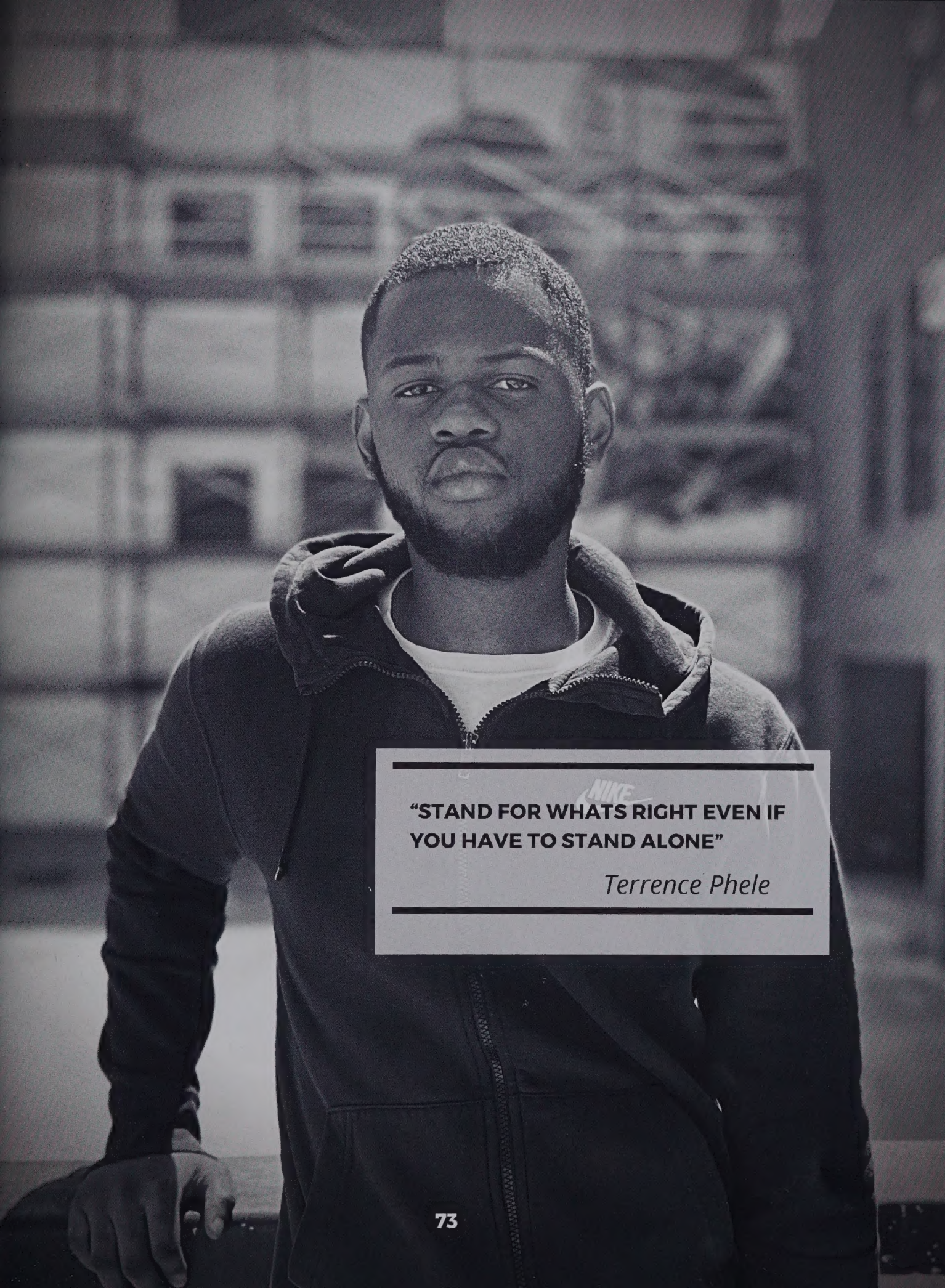
"STAND FOR WHATS RIGHT EVEN IF YOU HAVE TO STAND ALONE"
Terrence Phele

"THERE'S TWO IMPORTANT DAYS IN YOUR LIFE. THE DAY YOU ARE BORN AND THE DAY YOU FIND OUT WHY"

Chelsea Mensah

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"WHEN LIFE SEEMS DARK YOU JUST NEED SOME LIGHT TO CARRY ON"

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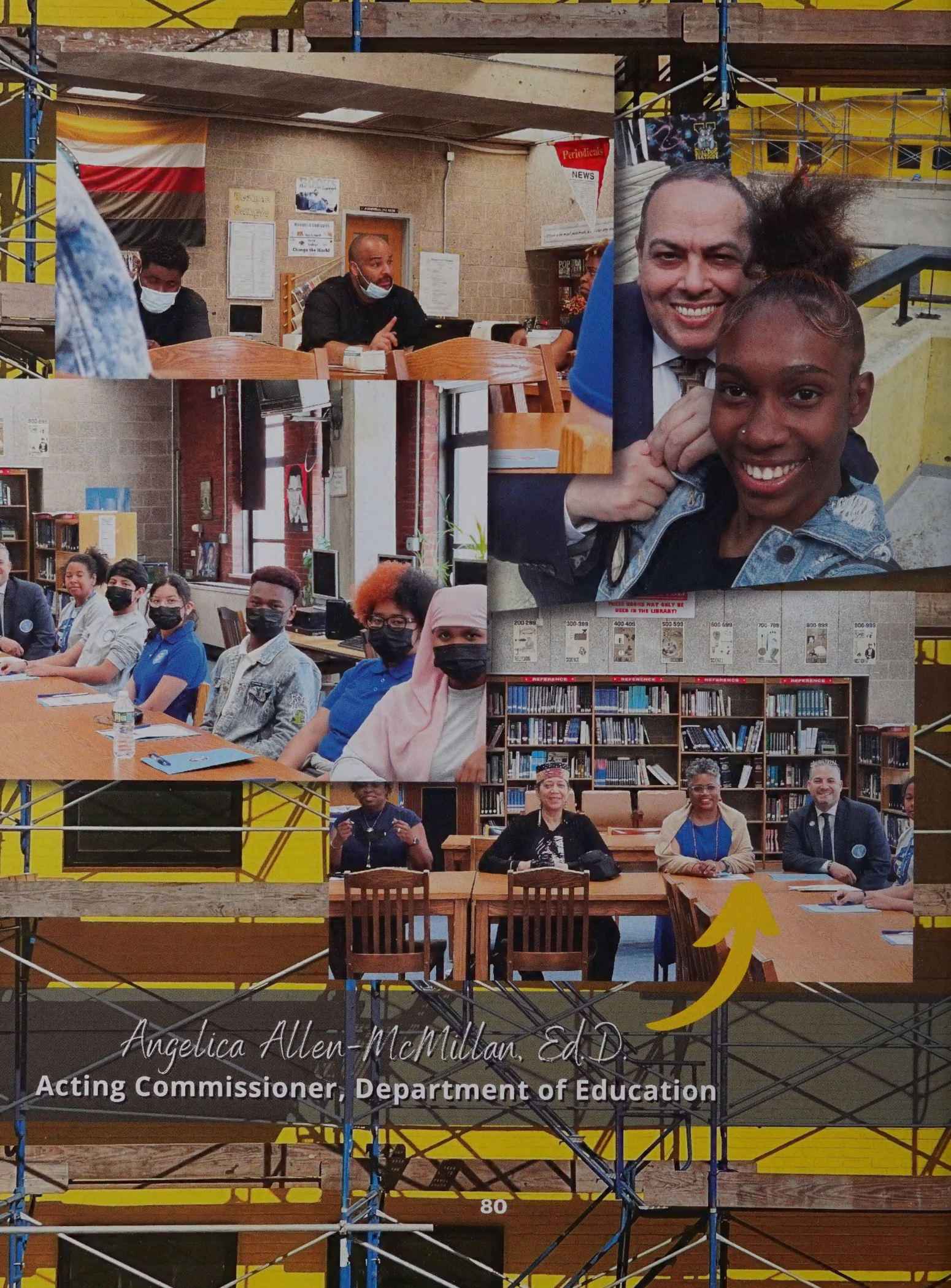

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"WHEN A MAN FALLS IN LOVE, A WOMEN BECOMES HIS BIGGEST WEAKNESS. WHEN A WOMEN FALLS IN LOVE, A MAN BECOMES HER BIGGEST STRENGTH."
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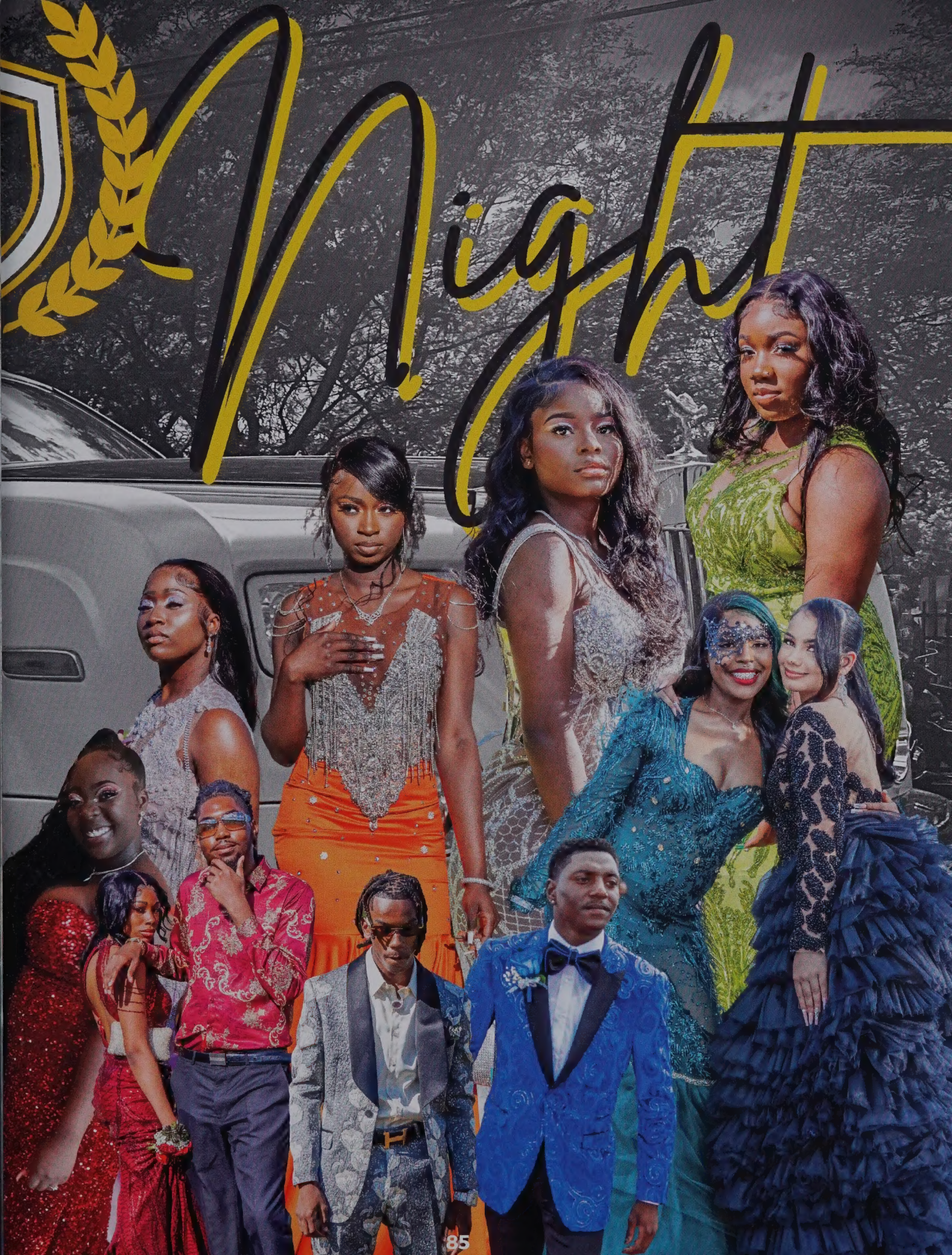
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